

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A mounting structure ~~for a vehicle electrical connection box~~, comprising:

a vehicle electrical connection box having a box-shaped body;

a protruding member provided to a box body of positioned to receive an impact from a first direction and protruding along the first direction from the electrical connection box, and positioned to receive an impact from a first direction said protruding member including a horizontal reinforcement rib along the first direction and a vertical reinforcement rib intersecting the horizontal reinforcement rib; and

at least one breakable mounting member mounting protruding from the electrical connection box and configured to mount the box body electrical connection box to a part of a vehicle, the at least one breakable mounting member positioned and to break due to a stress generated by the impact received by the protruding member, wherein the protruding member is positioned such that the box body receives the impact off the center of rotation of the box body, the protruding member extends along the first direction, and the at least one breakable mounting member extends substantially along an imaginary plane parallel to the first direction.

Claim 2 (currently amended): A mounting structure ~~for a vehicle electrical connection box arranged rearward of and in the vicinity of a dash panel serving as a partition between an engine space in a vehicle and an adjacent compartment~~, comprising:

a vehicle electrical connection box having a box-shaped body positioned rearward of and in a vicinity of a dash panel serving as a partition between an engine space in a vehicle and an adjacent compartment;

a protruding member ~~extending~~ protruding from a ~~box body~~ of the electrical connection box toward the dash panel and positioned to receive an impact from a first direction, said protruding member including a horizontal reinforcement rib along the first direction and a vertical reinforcement rib intersecting the horizontal reinforcement rib; and

at least one breakable planar mounting member ~~mounting~~ protruding from the electrical connection box and configured to mount the box body electrical connection box to a cowl side panel of the vehicle, ~~extending in a direction intersecting the first direction,~~ and positioned to break due to a stress generated by the impact received by the at least one breakable planar mounting member,

wherein the dash panel is ~~provided~~ positioned substantially perpendicular to the cowl side panel, ~~and the at least one breakable planar mounting member has a principal plane substantially parallel to a direction which the protruding member is extending.~~

Claim 3 (currently amended): A mounting structure, ~~for a vehicle electrical connection box having a box body~~ comprising:

a vehicle electrical connection box having a box-shaped body; and
at least two breakable planar mounting members ~~mounting~~ protruding from the electrical connection box and configured to mount the box body electrical connection box to a part of a vehicle, ~~extending substantially along a first plane and diagonally positioned to break after the box body electrical connection box receives an impact in a direction substantially parallel to the first plane,~~ said at least two breakable planar mounting members

being diagonally positioned relative to the electrical connection box and extending substantially along a first plane.

Claim 4 (currently amended): A mounting structure according to claim 2, wherein ~~the protruding member is positioned such that the box body~~ electrical connection box receives the impact off ~~[[the]] a center of rotation of the box body thereof.~~

Claim 5 (canceled)

Claim 6 (previously presented): A mounting structure according to claim 2, wherein at least a portion of the at least one breakable planar mounting member extends in a direction intersecting with a direction in which the impact is transmitted.

Claim 7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (previously presented): A mounting structure according to claim 3, wherein the breakable planar mounting members have principal planes substantially parallel to the first plane.

Claim 9 (canceled)

Claim 10 (previously presented): A mounting structure according to claim 1, wherein at least a portion of the at least one breakable mounting member extends in a direction intersecting with the first direction.

Claim 11 (canceled)

Claim 12 (new): A mounting structure according to claim 1, wherein the electrical connection box receives the impact off a center of rotation thereof.

Claim 13 (new): A mounting structure according to claim 1, wherein the vertical reinforcement rib intersects the horizontal reinforcement rib substantially perpendicularly.

Claim 14 (new): A mounting structure according to claim 1, wherein the at least one breakable mounting member extends substantially along an imaginary plane parallel to the first direction.

Claim 15 (new): A mounting structure according to claim 2, wherein the vertical reinforcement rib intersects the horizontal reinforcement rib substantially perpendicularly.

Claim 16 (new): A mounting structure according to claim 2, wherein the at least one breakable planar mounting member extends in a direction intersecting the first direction.

Claim 17 (new): A mounting structure according to claim 2, wherein the at least one breakable planar mounting member has a principal plane substantially parallel to a direction which the protruding member is protruding.

Claim 18 (new): A mounting structure according to claim 3, wherein the electrical connection box receives the impact in a direction substantially parallel to the first plane.